

Subject: Against the Millenium Pipeline.
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Sat, 14 Dec 2002 09:31:07 -0500
From: <JamesL@shoppingsolutions.com>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

To Whom It May Concern,

There are many reasons to not allow construction of the Millenium Pipeline through Westchester County. The obvious reasons are that it passes by schools, neighborhoods, highways and -oh so close- to Indian Point.

But the main reason you should consider stopping this insane project is that accidents that were never supposed to happen do happen. If they didn't the insurance industry wouldn't be thriving. Do you want this on your conscious if a disaster took place?

Please consider this and the fact that NYS has rejected this proposal when making your decision.

Thank you,

J Harding
2 Rose Hill Drive
Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510

This was sent to: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

Subject: The Millenium Pipeline Bowline Solution
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Sat, 14 Dec 2002 09:35:37 -0500
From: <SteveP@marketmanipulators.com>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

To Whom It May Concern,

I am completely against the construction of the Millenium Pipeline, but the following alternative makes sense to me if a decision to go through with it has to be made:

I believe that the Bowline Solution is the right solution for the Millennium Pipeline. Terminating the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Facility allows New York to protect the Coastal Zone and enables Columbia Gas to fix the decrepit A-5 line that makes up 222 miles or 52.9% of the pipeline's 420 mile route. This allows Millennium to fulfill its purpose as described to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of delivering natural gas to "delivery points in New York State". The Bowline Solution is a viable alternative that allows Millennium to pursue its goals without destroying our environment and endangering our communities.

Thank you,

Stephen Porit
33 Dogwood Lane
Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510

This was sent to: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

Subject: Millennium Pipeline/Orangetown
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Sat, 14 Dec 2002 08:50:49 -0800 (PST)
From: Martin Epstein <mfepstein@yahoo.com>
To: Millennium.comments@noaa.gov
CC: upervisor@orangetown.com

From: Dr. Martin and Judy Epstein
To: Millennium.comments@noaa.gov

Our home is located at 304 Gair Street, Piermont NY 10968 adjacent to the Piermont Marsh wetlands area and Tallam State park.

We are very concerned regarding the proposed construction and running of the Millennium pipeline through Orangetown and the "Marsh and Wetlands area". This would permanently disturb/upset the environment of the natural habitat for birds and other animals. We should (and must) preserve these scarce and limited areas

THANK YOU
Martin and Judy Epstein

Tel No: 845 198 3745

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Subject: Opposition to proposed pipeline
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Sat, 14 Dec 2002 15:38:16 EST
From: <Sportaedu@aol.com>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov..nems.noaa.gov

As a resident since 1956 and as a homeowner in Tappan, NY, I wish to strongly register my opposition to the proposed Millennium pipeline routes through Rockland County's Piermont Marsh, which is a significant fish and wildlife habitat as is Haverstraw Bay. They are both protected by The New York Department of State and they are also designated as flood zones by The Environmental Protection Agency. But consider, as well, that strategically these sites are dangerously close to New York's drinking water supply, a major Bridge, The Tappan Zee, truck and car arteries (287, 87, PIP) and dense suburban residential neighborhoods. As a parent of an elementary school age child, as a longtime resident of this small and underserved County, as a professional exhibiting artist, Master Scenic Artist and Adjunct Professor of Contemporary Art, I wish to protest vehemently against this ill-conceived, backward thinking threat, this corporate strongarm development tactic (with oodles of money behind it) that will permanently destroy people, wildlife and the land by disrespectfully disregarding important past legislation and existing conditions. Wake up, we as Americans have spent the last two centuries assuming that air, sky water and land are limitless. They are not.

As the great American writer John Steinbeck wrote over four decades ago,

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"....but many of us still conduct ourselves as our ancestors did stealing from the future for our clear and present profit."

*America and Americans, 1966, p.144 Bantam Books

Subject: Pipeline alternative routes

Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

at, 14 Dec 2002 15:39:46 -0500

USAN BARRY <bfly1@optonline.net>

Millennium.comments@noaa.gov

To Whom This May Concern;

I am a home owner in the village of Nyack N.I. and am vehemently opposed to the pipelines proposed routes through Rockland Cty. The environmental impact effecting our land, Hudson River and communities would be completely negative and I, my neighbors and local governments will do whatever is necessary to prevent this grave mistake from occurring. I was born and reared in this county and choose to remain here because I love this region and will not allow it to be altered or destroyed by others.

Susan Barry, Stephen Barry

Subject: Proposed pipeline
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Sat, 14 Dec 2002 19:24:12 -0500
From: <Arbydds@aol.com>
To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

To Whom It may Concern:

As a 25 year residents of Rockland County, five of those years as a Piermont resident, we are outraged to even hear the idea of sending a gas pipeline through our marshlands.

Rockland, like many other communities, is struggling to keep some of it's native charm and beauty. One of the few areas left in Rockland are the wetlands and the marsh in Piermont.

Although we know that this has not yet been decided, this idea needs to be taken off the option list now.

Sincerely,
Ralph and Cherie Berk
304 Cottonwood Court
Piermont, NY 10968

Subject: Millennium pipe line.
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Sat, 14 Dec 2002 16:34:44 -0800
From: Len Feroldi <feroldi@optonline.net>
To: Millennium.comments@noaa.gov

il would like to know why the route of the pipe line can not be run along the Hudson river.It will have to cross the river at some point so why not run the intire lenth of the pipe line under the river bed.

Yours Truly;
Len Feroldi

Subject: Proposal to run Millennium pipeline through Orangetown NY so as to cross the Hudson River via the Piermont Marsh wetlands and Tallman State Park areas.

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Fri, 13 Dec 2002 10:44:16 -0500

From: "John S. Dorf" <john@johndorf.com>

To: <Millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

CC: <supervisor@oranccgetown.com>

Our home at 303 Gair Street, Piermont NY 10968 is located very near the Piermont Marsh wetlands area. Indeed, from the south side of our tri-level town home we can view the marsh and also a portion of Tallman State Park.

We wish to express our deep objections to running the pipeline through our area for the following reasons:

1. We understand that the proposed crossing at the Piermont Marsh would violate the Coastal Zoning Management

Act of 1972.

2. The proposed pathway would certainly have a negative impact on the environment and the natural habitats for birds

and animals and do severe damage to the area in Tallman State Park where a large portion of the cliff along

the Hudson River at the park would be blasted and destroyed. We would think removal of a portion of the cliff would

also result in erosion of the river bank.

3. We also believe that our property value will be considerably lessened and that the same will hold true for our

neighbors' property values.

4. Lastly, we think that such pipeline, part of the housing for which might be above grade, might well pose a

danger to our densely populated area if leakage or an explosion occurred.

Accordingly, we urge that The National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration of the U.S. Department of Commerce not to run the pipeline through our area.

Sincerely,

Patricia and John S. Dorf

Tel. No.: 845/680-0296

Fax No.: 845/680-0295

Cc: Piermont Village Hall, Attn.: Denise Ehrhart, by fax(845/359-0466)

Supervisor of Town of Orangetown by e-mail (supervisor@orangetown.com)

Subject: Public Comment

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Wed, 11 Dec 2002 07:05:01 -0500

From: "Jonathan Glaser" <tracer24@att.net>

To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

Patrick Wood's November 15th letter responding to your request for comment on the Millennium appeal is merely a self-serving document submitted in an attempt to buttress its own improper certification. FERC will have its day in court as many towns, cities and organizations have petitioned the Court of Appeals to review and set aside the illegal certification order.

While Millennium improperly uses the FERC certification as justification for an override of the New York Department of State's inconsistent determination, FERC's analysis of the coastal zone issues, or more properly the lack thereof, clearly demonstrates that FERC did nothing more than regurgitate Millennium's application submissions. While FERC constantly declares that it has studied the route issues for 4 years, the current route was in effect for less than 6 months before FERC issued a preliminary certification. The record is replete with instances where FERC either ignored or dismissed a severe potential impact. The letter before you is a perfect example. While it obviously pains FERC to acknowledge that there are indeed safety and environmental impacts inherent in this route, FERC dismisses these impacts by the mere simple statement that the impacts "...will be primarily transient and limited to the time during which construction would occur, typically a period of days or weeks."

This statement alone, in conjunction with the testimony and letters that have been submitted to the contrary, clearly indicates, and serves as an admission by FERC, that it has not performed the required NEPA study and analysis that is required of a supervising agency. A brief review of coastal issues alone serves to justify this conclusion:

1. Haverstraw Bay-Both the National Marine Fisheries Service and the US Fish & Wildlife Service have both acknowledged in recent letters to your agency that the Millennium proposal would create significant and long-term impacts in New York's coastal zone. The agencies have detailed for you how dredging, explosives (which FERC has utterly failed to address), backfilling and other construction impacts would impair ecological values and functions for a long period of time. Transient? Clearly not!

2. New Croton Reservoir-The certification of construction in this unfiltered water system amounts to a condoned violation of the Clean Water Act. While FERC speculates that such additional phosphorous loading will be 'minimal', FERC has clearly misapplied current law which requires the reduction of phosphorous in the reservoir. Transient? No, and FERC has ignored the issue.

3. Bryn Mawr Crossing-While FERC again ignores this potential route impact, the Army Corps of Engineers has already indicated that this construction would threaten the security and functionality of the fresh drinking water supply. Transient? Just ask the people in New York City and adjoining areas that are dependent on this water system!

These are just examples that fall within your purview. There are many other issues that FERC has clearly neglected or examined perfunctorily. It is abundantly clear that FERC has bungled this application. Although the Millennium Project's intentions are to bring additional energy to New York City, the current route design is seriously flawed and the conduct of the applicant is reprehensible. Contrary to Millennium's cry (and of which you will hear more), there are viable alternatives that would avoid the severe safety and environmental devastation that would occur in Westchester if this project's current route was approved. You are aware by now of how this application has spurred excessive and constant acrimony. This, in and of itself, should be a message that this application should be put on hold until a regional demand analysis be performed with all parties at the table

negotiating in the open, rather than closed door meetings in which the public is prohibited from attending and big business can assert its influence.

Jonathan Glaser
Croton-on-Hudson, NY

Subject: Comments re: Pipeline

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Wed, 11 Dec 2002 15:50:09 -0500

From: "Splete, Richard" <RSplete@hdrinc.com>

To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

I manage the New York regional offices of a major environmental engineering firm and reside on the banks of the Hudson in Piermont, NY. I have spent most of my career working with utilities and helping them address the major challenges that they face in citing production and transmission facilities. I say this only so you can better appreciate my comments about the proposed construction.

This project is huge, it affects thousands of individuals as well having major ramifications to the environment. As you must appreciate, the Hudson is making a comeback but it remains in delicate balance. This environmental comeback should be carefully considered against the economic impact associated the cost benefit of alternative delivery methods. For example, there are environmental impact studies currently progressing for an alternative bridge arrangement to the existing Tappan Zee Bridge. Your Hudson crossing project should not be considered as an independent project but needs to be joined in an overall master planning effort with all agencies having jurisdiction.

From a local prospective, this project has raised the ire of many long-term residents. It appears that politics are quickly overtaking good judgment and decisions may be imminent, that with proper consideration and a "calm approach" may lead to alternative decisions that are, in long-term, superior.

I would be happy to share further thoughts if you so desire

From one concerned environmental citizen to another, I remain

Richard Splete

Subject: Pipeline through Piermont

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Wed, 11 Dec 2002 14:27:09 -0800 (PST)

From: Martin Epstein <mfepstein@yahoo.com>

To: Millennium.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Greaves, I am a new resident in Piermont, NY and was most distressed to learn that the new route for the Millennium Pipeline could be through Piermont Marsh, the protected marsh-land behind my development and through Tallman State Park. This would be unacceptable to us and the other residents of the Village or Piermont. One of the reasons for our recent move here was due to the quiet, naturalistic setting, both of which would be disrupted by the pipeline route. Protected state land should be left exactly how the name suggests-protected. The wildlife of the marsh and the river would be greatly compromised by this proposal as would our quiet little village. It was very upsetting to learn of all of this just this past week in the local paper and then at our homeowners' meeting last evening. This proposal was really quite unexpected, especially in light of the opposition coming from all of the rest of Rockland County areas that were being considered. We were given very little time to consider the negative consequences of your proposal, which is also quite disturbing. Please reconsider your route and do not disturb the environment of our area. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Judith and Martin Epstein
304 Gair Street
Piermont, NY 10968

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Subject: Gas Pipeline

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Mon, 9 Dec 2002 13:16:20 -0500

From: "Venezia, Ryan" <RVenezia@cantor.com>

To: "millennium.com-ments@noaa.gov" <millennium.com-ments@noaa.gov>

CC: "millennium.comments@noaa.gov" <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Venezia, Ryan

> Sent: Monday, December 09, 2002 1:13 PM

> To: 'Millenium.comments@noaa.gov'

> Subject:

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> To Whom It May Concern.

> 12/09/2002

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> My wife and I are resident of Irvington Westchester. We moved to the
> area for the quality of life and for the beautiful landscape the area
> offers. I was not happy when I read the Westchester Journal article on the
> pipeline. As a resident we already are fearful of the nuclear facility as
> well as the reservoir and NYC water supply. Both are highly potential
> targets for a terrorist attack.. I am strongly opposed to the laying of a
> gas pipeline in such a close proximity to our community.

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> This community is vital to Westchester, NYC as well as New York Sate. IF
> something was to happen it could be another devastating impact for the
> region. Please reconsider this plan.

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Sincerely,

> Ryan Venezia

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> Ryan Venezia

> 190 Locust Lane

> Irvington, NY 10533

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Subject:
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 9 Dec 2002 15:44:44 -0800
From: "Hillary Messer" <vze2t978@verizon.net>
Reply-To: <Hillary@sunrisebuilding.com>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

To Whom it may concern,
I am writing to urge you to reject to appeal of the proposed Millenium pipeline running through Westchester County.

I believe that the Bowline Solution is the right solution for the Millennium Pipeline. Terminating the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Facility allows New York to protect the Coastal Zone and enables Columbia Gas to fix the decrepit A-5 line that makes up 222 miles or 52.9% of the pipeline's 420 mile route. This allows Millennium to fulfill its purpose as described to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of delivering natural gas to "delivery points in New York State". The Bowline Solution is a viable alternative that allows Millennium to pursue its goals without destroying our environment and endangering our communities.

I hope you will take this into consideration. Thank you for your help.
Hillary Messer
471 Chappaqua Road
Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510

Subject: Millennium Pipeline TV Show
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Mon, 9 Dec 2002 20:29:03 EST
From: <WASSYP@aol.com>
To: WASSYP@aol.com

David Venditti, David Kahn, and Paul Wasserman recorded a TV show about the Millennium Pipeline with Putnam County Legislator Vinny Tamagna that is scheduled to be on Cablevision Public Access (Channel 16 or 32) Wednesday at 9:00 PM. It is also scheduled to be on GOTV (Channel 8 w/o converter, Channel ? with converter) Thursday at 6:00 PM.

A show about Indian Point's evacuation plan, hosted by John Rainey, will be on the same days. The guests are Lisa Rodrigues, President of Lakeland School Board, and Rose Ann Santoro, Yorktown School Board, who co-founded CHILDREN (Coalition to Help Inform and Lead Districts for Responsible Evacuation Now - wow). Briarcliff Manor, Ossining, HenHud, Garrison, Putnam Valley, and Haldane are also part of CHILDREN. The show should be on Wednesday at 10 PM, and Thursday at 6:30 PM following The Millennium Pipeline Show. Please check your listings for any changes. The shows will be on several times this month.

Subject: Stop the Pipeline

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Mon, 9 Dec 2002 10:18:22 -0500

From: "Louanne Frederickson" <louanne@holdcom.com>

To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

PLEASE SUPPORT the New York State ruling BLOCKING the proposed 530 mile natural gas line from crossing the Hudson River at Haverstraw Bay and running through the watershed of New York City drinking water.

Thank you.

Louanne Frederickson
42 Scotland Road
Chestnut Ridge, NY 10977

Subject: millenium pipeline

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 04:17:31 -0800 (PST)

From: Jim Fyfe <fyfeklein@prodigy.net>

To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

To Whom It May Concern:

I want to protest in the strongest possible terms the
[REDACTED] sion of the Millenium pipeline through
[REDACTED] Park in Piermont. The park, and
[REDACTED] wetlands that border it along the
[REDACTED] e to thousands of animals and birds.
[REDACTED] peline here would severely disrupt this
[REDACTED] ystem.
[REDACTED] ncy to reconsinder this decision.

Subject: Millennium pipeline

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 11:08:29 -0500

From: "Andrew Wax" <wax@att.net>

To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

Please be advised that we are opposed to the Millennium pipeline coming through the densely populated Westchester communities; however, we believe that the Bowline Solution is the right solution for the Millennium Pipeline. Terminating the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Facility allows New York to protect the Coastal Zone and enables Columbia Gas to fix the decrepit A-5 line that makes up 222 miles or 52.9% of the pipeline's 420 mile route. This allows Millennium to fulfill its purpose as described to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of delivering natural gas to "delivery points in New York State". The Bowline Solution is a viable alternative that allows Millennium to pursue its goals without destroying our environment and endangering our communities.

Sincerely,

Meri and Andrew Wax

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wax@att.net

Subject: Proposed pipeline route

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 11:01:17 EST

From: <Apfpgcnys@aol.com>

To: Millennium.comments@noaa.gov

We are opposed to the route that would compromise the Coastal Zone at Haverstraw, open space in the Croton Watershed, Teatown Lake Reservation, and other sensitive areas in Westchester County. The BOWLINE SOLUTION seems to be a reasonable alternative.

Auralie and Chester Logan; 42 Rocky Ridge; Cortlandt Manor, NY 10567

Subject: Route of Millennium Pipeline
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 13:37:57 -0500
From: "Henry and Judy Jacobs" <henjud@bestweb.net>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

To Whom it May Concern:

I have been involved in preventing the Millennium Natural Gas Pipeline from transversing through Westchester County for the last two years. The environmental impact on our communities will be devastating, leaving catastrophic chaos in its wake.

The good news is there is an alternative solution to the above: The Bowline Solution. Terminating the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Facility allows New York to protect the Coastal Zone and enables Columbia Gas to fix the decrepit A-5 line that makes up 222 miles or 52.9% of the pipeline's 420 mile route. This allows Millennium to fulfill its purpose as described to FERC of delivering natural gas to "delivery points in New York State".

The Bowline Solution is viable alternative that allows Millennium to pursue its goals without destroying our environments and endangering our communities.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Judy Jacobs |
8 Park Trail
Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520

Subject: Stop the pipeline

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 14:29:43 -0500

From: "Monique van Grinsven" <moniquevan@email.msn.com>

Reply-To: "Monique van Grinsven" <moniquevan@msn.com>

To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

We believe that the **Bowline Solution** is the right solution for the Millennium Pipeline. Terminating the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Facility allows New York to protect the Coastal Zone and enables Columbia Gas to fix the decrepit A-5 line that makes up 222 miles or 52.9% of the pipeline's 420 mile route. This allows Millennium to fulfill its purpose as described to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of delivering natural gas to "delivery points in New York State". The **Bowline Solution** is a viable alternative that allows Millennium to pursue its goals without destroying our environment and endangering our communities.

Please stop the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Plant in Rockland County. The Bowline Solution is one that multiple communities can embrace and is a viable alternative for allowing the construction of the Millennium Pipeline. Given the legitimate, grave concerns of Southern Westchester and Rockland County of possible new routes of the Millennium Pipeline through these densely populated communities, the Bowline Solution is more appropriate than ever.

Please save our community and coastline!

Sincerely,

Gerry and Monique Gross
56 Hoag Cross Road
Ossining, NY 10562

Monique van Grinsven <moniquevan@email.msn.com>

Licensed Broker Associate, G.R.I.

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Subject: millenium pipeline

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 15:11:57 -0500

From: "Josh Tane" <j.tane@verizon.net>

To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Secretary Evans,

I applaud The Commerce Department's decision to extend the comment period on the Millenium Pipeline Hudson River Crossing. In so doing, it seems that your organization has listened to our representatives.

Now, if you would only listen to the citizens most affected by this ill-advised pipeline route. While it's not within your jurisdiction, a section of the route passes within 75 feet of my children's elementary school. If Con Edison is concerned about a possible pipeline accident affecting their power grid, shouldn't the parents of Briarcliff Manor be more concerned for the safety of our children? While I fully support the New York State Secretary of State's decision blocking this Hudson River crossing, isn't it ironic that the little fish swimming through Haverstraw bay have demanded more attention than the little children walking the halls of their elementary school?

In opposing the proposed route through Westchester County, I support the Bowline Solution. I believe that the Bowline Solution is the right solution for the Millennium Pipeline. Terminating the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Facility allows New York to protect the Coastal Zone and enables Columbia Gas to fix the decrepit A-5 line that makes up 222 miles or 52.9% of the pipeline's 420 mile route. This allows Millennium to fulfill its purpose as described to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of delivering natural gas to "delivery points in New York State". The Bowline Solution is a viable alternative that allows Millennium to pursue its goals without destroying our environment and endangering our communities.

In closing, I urge you to uphold the Secretary of State's decision and in so doing, restore the citizens' faith in the governmental process.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Josh Tane
6 Fox Run Rd.
Briarcliff Manor, NY 10550
914-944-9003

Subject: Millennium Pipeline

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 17:18:42 -0500

From: Arcadia Kocybala <arcadia@us.ibm.com>

To: Millennium.comments@noaa.gov

I am writing to express my very strong opposition to the proposed Millenium Pipeline project. I have very serious concerns about the environmental and safety impact of the proposed pipeline, especially in the area of Northern Westchester County, which is already, most regrettably, the site of the grandest folly -- the hazardous Indian Point nuclear power plants. Westchester County, with its water reservoirs/aqueducts and nuclear power plants and proximity to densely populated New York City, has already been recognized as one of the most potentially dangerous areas of the United States following September 11. It is unconscionable to further endanger its residents, who incidentally pay among the highest taxes in the country, with the Millennium Pipeline. From an environmental standpoint, the current route proposed by Millenium calls for a Hudson River crossing at Haverstraw Bay, which has been designated a Significant Coastal Fish and Wildlife Habitat by New York State, and is thus inconsistent with the Coastal Zone Management Act, well as an Essential Fish Habitat by the Federal Government. A number of fish species, including the short-nose sturgeon, depend on the bay as a breeding ground. It is my understanding that there is no time of year when the bay can be safely crossed without disrupting the lifecycle of at least one endangered species.

I am also concerned at the apparent failure of Millenium to adequately analyze and address the environmental and social impacts of the proposed pipeline. Where Millenium has performed engineering studies, they do not provide sufficient information to make an informed judgment on the impact the pipeline will have on the local environment and on local neighborhoods. This problem is compounded for the latest proposed Con Ed Offset route, for which Millennium has failed to invest the necessary time and resources to produce a supplemental environmental impact study. In meetings with local residents, Millenium has not provided maps or photographs with sufficient detail to clearly understand the exact route of the proposed pipeline. This has made it virtually impossible to assess the precise environmental impact of the pipeline, and the likelihood of collateral damage caused during construction. In short, local residents and their elected officials have received neither sufficient information -- nor sufficient time -- to adequately assess the impact this pipeline will have on our neighborhoods and our communities.

We all agree that our country needs a responsible and efficient energy policy. Please do not let Millenium take a route and short cuts that will compromise the environment, safety, and quality of life of the residents of the State of New York. If the government will not protect its citizens, who will?

Sincerely,
Arcadia Kocybala Ph.D

Subject: Millenium Pipeline alternative
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Wed, 4 Dec 2002 15:42:36 -0500
From: <MikeF@shoppingsolutions.com>
To: <millennium.comments@noaa.gov>

To whom it may

I believe that the Bowline Solution is the right solution for the Millennium Pipeline. Terminating the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Facility allows New York to protect the Coastal Zone and enables Columbia Gas to fix the decrepit A-5 line that makes up 222 miles or 52.9% of the pipeline's 420 mile route. This allows Millennium to fulfill its purpose as described to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of delivering natural gas to "delivery points in New York State". The Bowline Solution is a viable alternative that allows Millennium to pursue its goals without destroying our environment and endangering our communities.

This certainly makes more sense than having the pipeline run near the Todd school system, near Indian Point, and tearing up acres of woods in our beautiful parks.

Please consider this viable alternative when making this decision which will affect thousands of people for years to come.

Thank you,

M. Feingold
120 Hardscrabble Road
Briarcliff Manor, N.Y. 10510

This was sent to millennium.comments@noaa.gov

Subject: re: millennium

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Wed, 4 Dec 2002 15:52:38 EST

From: <LJMSW@aol.com>

To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

To Whom it May Concern,

Nov. 20,2002

I am writing to voice my opposition to the Millennium Pipeline. As a new mother, wife, and professionally a school social worker- I care much about the town I live in and specifically about this proposed project. I too, have been watching carefully, reading, and researching about how this project has come this far.....and it is truly appalling.

No community can survive without water. Millennium wants to put their gas pipeline THROUGH our village wellfield zone. This is the ONLY source of drinking water for more than 7000 people! Who would give permission to a company to blast, use heavy machinery, and place a high pressure pipeline so close (**** IN THE WELLFIELD ZONE***) to a valuable drinking source????? This doesn't make common sense.

What if their were to be an accident? Or if over the course of time- there were to be corrosion in the pipes- which DOES happen- and a leak were to develop? Why would a government agency allow such a risk to be taken- for the sake of a private company to get a profit? Where would our town get our water then?

Also- I was extremely alarmed at the proposed routes' proximity to the Con Ed high tension wires. I understand that Con Ed requested the pipeline be 1500 feet away from these lines. Instead it is routed 75-100 feet away- does this sound safe to you????? Of course in the best of all worlds- people would never make mistakes and machinery would never fail, rust, leak etc. etc. But that is not reality. Reality is.....there will probably BE mistakes in constructing this project OR later on down the line (just as happened last month in Texas when a pipeline burst for unknown reasons!)- and to position this pipeline so close to New York City's electrical supply (40%) would be disastrous.

Which brings me back to WATER. I know you heard much about the Bryn Myr Syphon that is connected to the aprox 100 year old aqueduct system. I walk on the aqueduct trail up in Croton - almost everyday. It is a gorgeous site. The Croton Dam which dates back to the late 1800's- one of the largest hand hewn structures in America- and the trail itself is just fantastic as it travels the 30 miles to NYC. People ride their bikes on it, walk, stroll babies etc. And to think that they will be again engaging in heavy construction just two FEET above this ANTIQUE system....is LUDICROUS!!!! IN the name of WHAT? National interest? Who's interest is more important- those that drink the water from the Croton Reservoir system? OR Columbia Gas and Company? I URGE you to rethink this prososed ill fated project. And send it back to the drawing board where it belongs.

Thank You-

Lisa Moir

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Subject:

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Wed, 4 Dec 2002 17:22:30 -0500

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Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Ocean Services
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I believe that the **Bowline Solution** is the right solution for the Millennium Pipeline. Terminating the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Facility allows New York to protect the Coastal Zone and enables Columbia Gas to fix the decrepit A-5 line that makes up 222 miles or 52.9% of the pipeline's 420 mile route. This allows Millennium to fulfill its purpose as described to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of delivering natural gas to "delivery points in New York State". The **Bowline Solution** is a viable alternative that allows Millennium to pursue its goals without destroying our environment and endangering our communities. There is simply too much at risk for the broader community of NY state by further imposing damage on the Hudson River and providing an all too enticing terrorist target - powerlines, pipeline, nuclear reactor and watershed/water supply - which could cause massive disruption, economic disaster and possibly horrific loss of life.

I encourage you to execute your common sense by finding the solution that is most sensible for those facing the gravest risks and environmental impact. Commerce is not the primary concern here, it must come secondary to protecting the residents of NY.

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Subject: Comments to Natural Gas Pipeline
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Our coastal zones are already victim to high concentrations of humans and human-related activities that place these ecosystems under an enormous amount of stress. Coastal environments must be in a constant state of flux to perform the ecological functions that provide healthy ecosystems. Healthy coastal ecosystems provide numerous benefits to humans including recreation, storm protection, sustainable fisheries, etc. Increased development is usually the result of additional roads and services. I urge the decision-makers to consider the effects of a natural gas pipeline on New York's coastal environment and its impact on the human benefits associated with less infrastructure. These benefits tend to be public goods and not effectively captured in our market system. Furthermore, inadequate political representation for these important ecological services threatens to undermine an extremely important part of our well-being. Thanks for the opportunity to comment and I hope you will make the right decision.

Subject: Millennium Pipeline
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
Date: Wed, 04 Dec 2002 10:47:35 -0500
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Dear Sir or Madam

I am writing about the proposed Millennium Pipeline Taconic/ConEd Offset route. As a resident of Westchester County, I am very concerned about the impact that the construction along this route will have on our environment and our public safety. FERC is ignoring the serious safety and environmental impacts to our State. I urge you act to prevent this ill-conceived plan from destroying our local environment.

Specifically, the proposed Taconic/ConEd Off-set route would have the following damaging effects in our region:

- 1) The route would cross Haverstraw Bay, which has been designated as a Significant Coastal Fish and Wildlife Habitat by NY State and is recognized as an Essential Fish Habitat by the federal government. It is a breeding ground for the federally endangered short-nose sturgeon and is the critical for the Atlantic Coast's ecosystem. Millennium has rejected several alternatives because the preferred route across Haverstraw Bay is the most convenient and inexpensive route available.
- 2) The NY Department of State has certified that the proposed project is inconsistent with the New York Coastal Zone Management Program. Yet Millennium is asking the federal government to overrule this important local environmental safeguard.
- 3) Destruction of trees along the proposed off-set route will have a tremendously damaging effect on our local environment. By placing the pipeline on the edge of the utility corridor and along the Taconic Parkway, the route will require permanently removing trees along a 70ft wide corridor along the route.
- 4) The route crosses several sensitive streams beds and reserves, including Teatown Lake. Many trees will be removed, lakes will be dredged and wetlands will be severely damaged.
- 5) In light of the events of 9/11, the route represents an unacceptable terrorist risk to our region. It passes close to the Indian Point Nuclear Reactor, major NY City reservoirs and watershed, runs along side a major NY City electrical corridor and past hundreds of homes and neighborhood, including the school yard of one Briarcliff Manor school.

Yet I do understand the importance of developing new energy sources for the NY region. That is why I believe that the Bowline Solution is the right solution for the Millennium Pipeline. Terminating the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Facility allows New York to protect the Coastal Zone and enables

Columbia Gas to fix the decrepit A-5 line that makes up 222 miles or 52.9% of the pipelines 420 mile route. This allows Millennium to fulfill its purpose as described to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of delivering natural gas to "delivery points in New York State".

The Bowline Solution is a viable alternative that allows Millennium to pursue its goals without destroying our environment, and endangering our communities.

Sincerely,

Garrett van Ryzit

Subject: Millennium Pipeline
Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov
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Dear Sir or Madam:

Your full consideration of the added security danger to Westchester posed by the Millennium Pipeline is appreciated. There are real alternatives that can meet the needs of both security and the environment while providing adequate supplies of natural gas to New York City. We live in fear of Indian Point. Don't add another easy target to a populated area.

I believe that the Bowline Solution is the right solution for the Millennium Pipeline. Terminating the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Facility allows New York to protect the Coastal Zone and enables Columbia Gas to fix the decrepit A-5 line that makes up 222 miles or 52.9% of the pipeline's 420 mile route. This allows Millennium to fulfill its purpose as described to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of delivering natural gas to "delivery points in New York State". The Bowline Solution is a viable alternative that allows Millennium to pursue its goals without destroying our environment and endangering our communities.

Please!

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Subject: millennium pipeline

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

Date: Wed, 4 Dec 2002 13:35:47 -0500

From: "Estelle" <estelle@bestweb.net>

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I urge you to give due consideration for the alternate BOWLINE SOLUTION. It most surely meets all the purposes of the pipeline, and will not be destructive to Westchester County. We have spent much time and money to preserve the most beautiful and natural areas of the Town of Cortlandt, and we are not about to let any pipeline destroy forever what we have strived to protect. This present route will permanently destroy the land it cuts through. 15000 mature trees will be cut, this will take 50 years to replace. At present there is no need for this gas in the city, even Con Edison has said it cannot handle any more natural gas at this time, and sees no need for the additional gas. Our area gets nothing from this project, except the destruction. We will fight for our county as long as we have to, there is no other choice open to us. Bowline will put an end to the fight, and will meet all the goals.

Please do not destroy our county for a private companies profits.

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Subject: Millennium Comments

Resent-From: Millennium.Comments@noaa.gov

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From: <MaryLouMinard@aol.com>

To: millennium.comments@noaa.gov

I am a concerned resident of NY State and my grandchildren live in Westchester near the proposed pipeline. I want to let you know that I support the Bowline Solution to stop the Millennium Pipeline at the Bowline Plant in Rockland County. The Bowline Solution is one that multiple communities can embrace and is a viable alternative for allowing the construction of the Millennium Pipeline. Given the legitimate, grave concerns of Southern Westchester and Rockland County of possible new routes of the Millennium Pipeline through these densely populated communities, the Bowline Solution is more appropriate than ever.

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Thank you for your consideration.

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